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measles, plague, scarlet fever, smallpox, typhus fever, and yellow fever, or of the bringing of the dead body of any person who has died of any such disease into such city, to give immediate notice thereof to this department. No person shall retain, or expose, or assist in the retention or exposure of, the dead body of any such person, except in a coffin or casket properly sealed; nor shall any person allow any such body to be placed in any coffin or casket unless the body has been wrapped in a sheet saturated with a proper disinfecting solution, and the coffin or casket shall then be immediately and permanently sealed. No undertaker shall assist in the public or church funeral of any such person. No undertaker shall use, or cause or allow to be used at any funeral, or in any room where the dead body of any person shall be, any draperies, decorations, rugs, or carpets belonging to or furnished by him or under his direction.

Burial—Length of Time Body May Remain Unburied. (Reg. Bd. of H., Aug. 25, 1914.)

Resolved, That section 165 of the Sanitary Code be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 165. No person shall allow to be retained unburied the dead body of any human being for a longer period than four days, or where death has resulted from acute poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis), Asiatic cholera, diphtheria (croup), epidemic cerebrospinal meningitis, measles, plague, scarlet fever, smallpox, typhus fever, and yellow fever for a longer period than 24 hours, after the death of such person without a permit from the sanitary superintendent, an assistant sanitary superintendent, or the director of the bureau of infectious diseases, which permit shall specify the length of time during which such body may be retained unburied.

Dead Bodies—Cremation—Issuance of Permit. (Reg. Bd. of H., Sept. 29, 1914.)

Resolved, That section 167a of the Sanitary Code be, and the same is hereby, adopted so as to read as follows:

SEC. 167a. No permit for the cremation of the dead body of any human being, nor transit permit for such purpose, shall be granted by the department of health until an autopsy shall have been had, or until two physicians, one of whom shall be a medical inspector of the department of health, officially designated for the purpose, shall have, respectively, filed in the said department a certificate wherein the cause of death is set forth.

Burial or Cremation—Permit Required. (Reg. Bd. of H., Sept. 29, 1914.)

Resolved, That section 167 of the Sanitary Code be, and the same is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

SEC. 167. No interment, cremation, or other disposition of the dead body of any human being shall be made within the city of New York without a permit therefor granted by the board of health, nor otherwise than in accordance therewith, and said dead body shall be placed in a metallic or tin-lined box, or a box so constructed as to prevent the issuance of any liquids therefrom; and no sexton or other person shall assist in, or assent to, or allow any such interment, or aid or assist about preparing any grave or place of deposit for any such body, or assist in the cremation of the same, for which such permit has not been given authorizing the same. And it shall be the duty of every person who shall receive any such permit to preserve and to return the same to the department of health as its regulations may require.